

Climate Prediction Center's Central Asia Hazards Outlook September 18 - 24, 2014

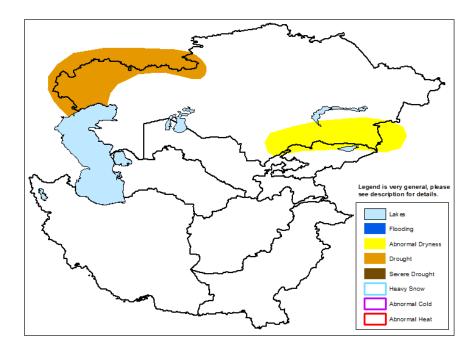
Temperatures:

Weekly temperatures averaged 1 to 5 degrees C below-normal across Kazakhstan and Uzbekistan from September 7-13, while seasonal temperatures prevailed across the remainder of Central Asia. The northeast half of Kazakhstan had widespread frost or a light freeze during the past week. The GFS model predicts that temperatures will average at or above-normal during the next week.

Precipitation

The drought area, posted for northwest Kazakhstan, is based on a lack of adequate precipitation dating back to May. No precipitation occurred during the past week across areas designated as drought or abnormal dryness. Locally heavy rain (more than 100 mm) fell across northern Pakistan from September 7-13.

During the next week, the GFS model indicates scattered light precipitation across Kazakhstan. The Indian Monsoon typically withdraws away from Pakistan during early September but its withdrawal was delayed this year.



Note: The Hazards outlook map is based on current weather/climate information, short and medium range weather forecasts (up to 1 week), and assesses their potential impact on crop and pasture conditions. Shaded polygons are added in areas where anomalous conditions have been observed. The boundaries of these polygons are only approximate at this continental scale. This product does not reflect long range seasonal climate forecasts or indicate current or projected food security conditions.